

**Weather Forecast**  
Fair, continued cold today and tomorrow;  
high today near 38, low tonight near 23.  
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## LANDINGS ON CORREGIDOR ASSURE CAPTURE

### Paratroops Surprise Defenders; Reds Fight Into Heart of Poznan

**Infantry Crossing From Bataan Joins Operation Quickly**  
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By C. YATES McDANIEL,  
Associated Press War Correspondent.  
MANILA, Sunday, Feb. 18.—  
American skytroopers, spectacularly parachuting from air transports onto a half-mile-square plateau, returned the American flag to Corregidor Friday, where Lt. Gen. Jonathan Wainwright sorrowfully surrendered the Philippines to the Japanese hordes in May, 1942.

Dropping down after warships poured explosives on the "Rock" and into tunnels where the Japanese were cowering, the skytroopers soon were joined by waterborne Yanks from Bataan.

Today, Gen. MacArthur announcing the dazzling operation, said Corregidor's complete capture "is assured"—opening Manila Bay to the United States fleet.

**Landing Forces Join.**  
In a dispatch from Corregidor, Associated Press Correspondent James Huthcote told of a red smoke signal high atop the "Rock" which confirmed that the paratroopers and amphibious invaders had linked forces.

"I wish Gen. Wainwright could be here to see this," said Brig. Gen. William C. Chase, directing the operation.

"It would be the greatest sight of his life."

The descent of the paratroopers, veterans of New Guinea fighting, squarely atop the "Rock," completely surprised the Japanese and effected the capture of the island's defenses and mighty guns from the rear.

Infantrymen hit the island's shores shortly after the paratroopers landed. They leaped from the craft which brought them from recently captured Bataan, immediately advanced inland and joined the skyborne troops.

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By the Associated Press.  
The story of Bill Galt, who was better than 40 Germans, came out yesterday. The Army told it with pride.

It is the story of a man who wouldn't back up, who took a tank destroyer where its crew wouldn't go, a man who stood defiant and exposed in the destroyer turret, hurling grenades and firing a machine gun, cornering 40 enemy soldiers in a trench and mowing down every one of them.

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**Fleet Still Attacking Iwo Jima, With Japs Resisting Fiercely**  
Warship Damaged by Shore Fire; Silence Shrouds Tokyo Raiders

By the Associated Press.  
PACIFIC FLEET HEADQUARTERS, Guam, Sunday, Feb. 18.—  
Battleships and cruisers bombarded Iwo Jima today—a day after Tokyo said Americans have landed there—for the third straight day, Admiral Chester W. Nimitz announced in a communiqué which specified considerable Japanese resistance.

Silent on the carrier plane attacks against Tokyo, which may or may not be still in progress, Admiral Nimitz told of intense antiaircraft fire yesterday at Iwo greeting raiding land-based and carrier planes and of shore fire damaging a warship.

The feeling here among war correspondents was that the radio blackout meant the carrier task force remains within striking distance of Japan.

Both attacks opened Friday morning.

**Terror Bombing Gets Allied Approval as Step to Speed Victory**  
Raids on Crowded Reich Cities Snarl War Traffic, Sops German Morale

By HOWARD COWAN,  
Associated Press War Correspondent.  
PARIS, Feb. 17.—The Allied air commanders have made the long-awaited decision to adopt deliberate terror bombing of the great German population centers as a ruthless expedient to hasten Hitler's doom.

More raids such as the British and American heavy bombers carried out recently on the residential sections of Berlin, Dresden, Chemnitz and Cottbus are in store for the Reich, and their avowed purpose will be creating more confusion in the German traffic tangle and sapping German morale.

The all-out air war in Germany became obvious with the unprecedented daylight assault on the refugee-crowded capital two weeks ago and subsequent attacks on other cities jammed with civilians fleeing from the Russian advance in the east.

The Allied view is that bombardment of large German cities creates immediate need for relief. This is moved into the bombed areas both by rail and road and not only creates a traffic problem but draws transport away from the battle front. Evacuation of the homeless has the same result.

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**Fall of Bastion Will Free Thousands To Attack Berlin**  
(Map on Page A-4.)

By the Associated Press.  
LONDON, Sunday, Feb. 18.—  
Russian shock forces yesterday fought their way into the heart of Poznan, Polish fortress city 100 miles behind the Berlin front, foreshadowing the imminent fall of that strategic base and the release of thousands of Red Army troops for the impending grand assault on the Reich capital.

Other Soviet forces toppled the East Prussian fortress towns of Dirschau and Wostrowitz, drove a spearhead to within 50 miles south of Danzig, deepened their encirclement ring around Breslau, besieged Silesian capital, and in the 10-mile advance far to the west crossed the Queis and Tschirra rivers, capturing points only 25 miles from the Saxon frontier.

The Russians in Silesia captured Rauscha, only 60 miles northeast of Dresden, and 18 miles northeast of Gorkitz, Silesia's second city on the Neisse River. This is the nearest they have been placed officially to Dresden, Saxon capital shattered in the heavy American air attacks last week.

**Berlin Front News Blacked Out.**  
The Soviet high command blacked out news of the Berlin front, but field dispatches relayed through Moscow said that Red Army planes and artillery were hammering the citadels of Cottbus and Guben, 47 and 51 miles southeast of Berlin, trying to break open the Reich capital's side door.

Moscow's communiqué disclosed that the eastern front fighting now had flamed up on a 600-mile front from besieged Koenigsberg, East Prussian capital on the Baltic, down to Kromtau, Danube city 40 miles northwest of fallen Budapest and 84 miles from Vienna, Austrian capital.

A total of 17,100 more Germans were killed or captured, the bulletin said, and of the prisoners being taken in the final phase of the battle for Poznan on the Warta River.

On the 22nd day of the siege, which began January 27, Moscow announced that Russian troops had cleared the Germans from the last suburbs of Poznan, the bank of the river, and had driven the last Nazi garrison remnants into the citadel on the west bank of the river.

**Much Equipment Captured.**  
The German garrison, originally estimated at 20,000, has clung desperately to Poznan, realizing that the fall of the big rail center astride the main Warsaw-Berlin trunk railway would speed the Red Army advance toward Berlin.

In Friday's operations the Russians at Poznan captured 40 locomotives, 184 railway trucks, 16 stores of various military supplies, 12 guns, 57 machine guns, more than 6,000 rifles and 125 trucks, the communiqué said.

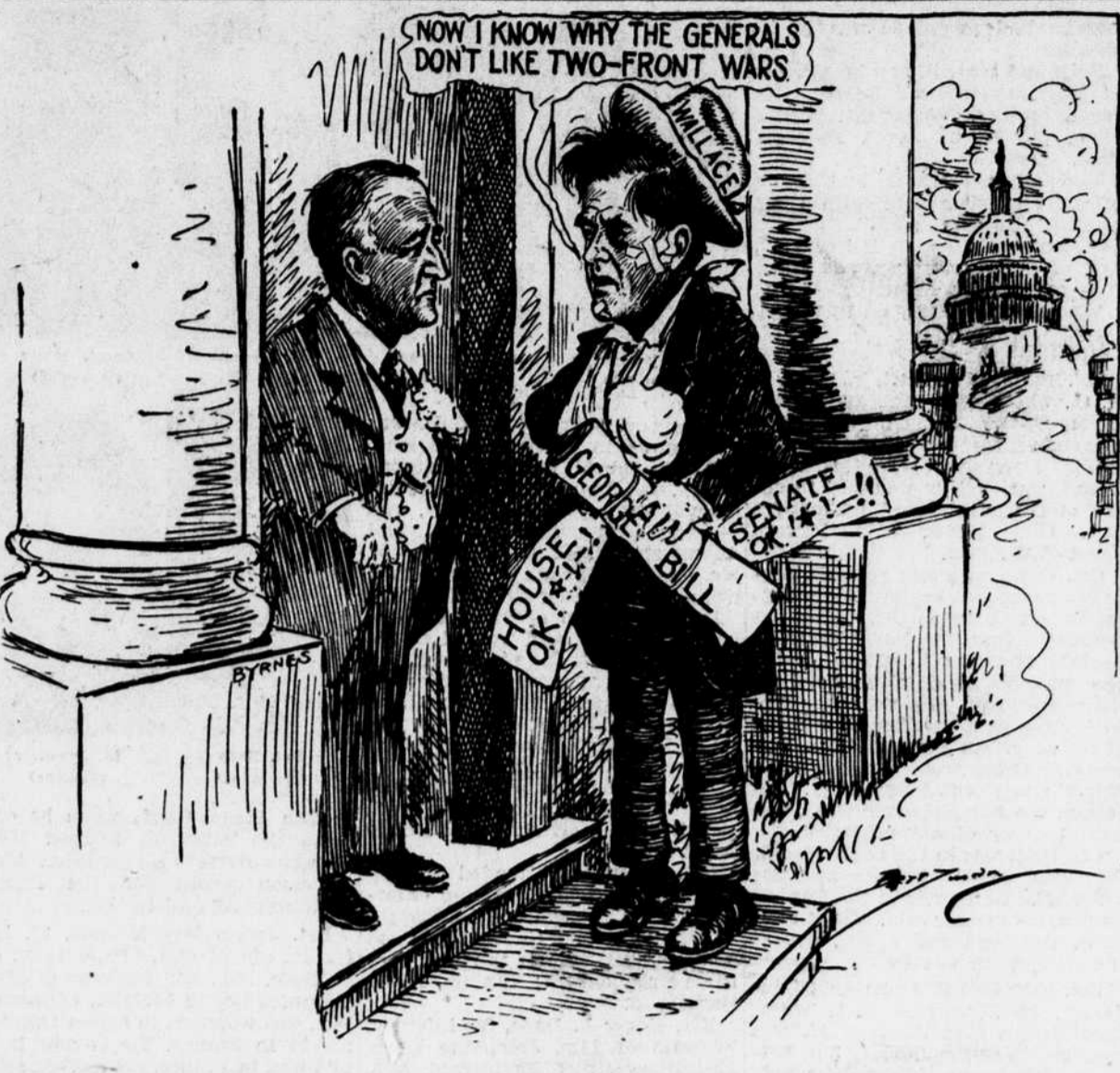
Germany's high command communiqué announced the Russian capture of Sagan, by-passed rail center 85 miles southeast of Berlin, but Moscow neither confirmed the seizure of that town nor the Oder River stronghold of Crossen, 63 miles southeast of the capital. Officially the Russians were placed only 1½ miles outside Crossen, and 3½ miles south of Sagan with the capture of Hermsdorf.

A large crowd cheered his arrival as he was greeted by Acting Foreign Minister Pedro Leao Velloso and other Brazilian cabinet members.

A Brazilian marine band played the Brazilian and United States anthems and a special honor guard in red, white, blue and gold uniforms and tall shakos provided an escort.

Mr. Stettinius then motored to Petropolis, mountain resort summer capital, for his conferences with President Vargas.

**Nazi Baltic Convoy Attacked**  
LONDON, Feb. 17.—Dive-bombers and torpedo-carrying planes of the Russian Baltic Fleet attacked a German convoy in the Southern Baltic Sea, sinking a minesweeper and four transports totalling 25,000 tons, the Moscow radio said today.



**\$100,000 'Deal' With Nazis Saved Jay Gould, Wife Claims**  
Turning Over of Money To French Bank Called 'Sort of Blackmail'

By EDWARD KENNEDY,  
Associated Press War Correspondent.  
PARIS, Feb. 17.—Mrs. Frank Jay Gould said today she had invested more than \$100,000 in a Monte Carlo bank last July to keep the Germans from taking her millionaire husband to Germany.

It was a sort of blackmail payment, the business manager for the former Florence Lacaze asserted.

French authorities say the Riviera bank mentioned by Mrs. Gould was controlled by the Germans.

Mrs. Gould told the Associated Press.

**Taft Will Spearhead Final Senate Fight on Wallace Tomorrow**

Ohioan Plans Attack On Qualifications of Commerce Nominee

By GERALD LINCOLN.  
The final fight in the Senate to defeat the nomination of former Vice President Henry A. Wallace as Secretary of Commerce will begin tomorrow, when Senator Taft, Republican, of Ohio will seek, in a Senate speech, to show that Mr. Wallace is not qualified to head even a bob-tailed Commerce Department.

While admitting that it would be difficult to defeat confirmation of the Wallace nomination since both houses have passed the George bill, which strips Federal loan agencies from the Commerce Department, Senator Taft insisted yesterday that the battle is still going on, with the actual consideration of the nomination not to begin until March 1.

"There has been no debate in the Senate so far on the question of Mr. Wallace's qualifications to be Secretary of Commerce or on the political and economic philosophies which Mr. Wallace revealed to the Senate Commerce Committee during hearings on the George bill," Senator Taft said.

**Administration Confident.**  
Senator McKellar, Democrat of Tennessee, president pro tempore of the Senate, said flatly he intended to vote against the Wallace appointment. He said he did not know how many of the 15 Democratic Senators who voted originally to take up the Wallace nomination in advance of the George bill, in the hope of killing the appointment would vote against confirmation now. If many of them should stick to their opposition to confirmation, the vote in the Senate would be close or possibly, adverse.

Administration forces are confident, however, that Mr. Wallace will be confirmed. Chairman Bailey of the Commerce Committee is said to be inclined to urge his colleagues to confirm, now that Mr. Wallace will not have control of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

**Pope's Lenten Address To Be Read by Cardinal**  
By the Associated Press.  
LONDON, Feb. 17.—The Vatican radio said today Pope Pius would be unable to give his lenten address Monday, as scheduled, because of an attack of influenza. While the pope "is well on the way to recovery," the announcement added, the address will be read by a cardinal.

**Krug Demands Action On Manpower as Fight For Bill Is Renewed**

Barkley Optimistic Over Solution When Senate Gets Measure

By J. A. O'LEARY.  
Faced with signs that the favorable trend of war news has weakened Senate interest in a "work-or-jail" bill, the administration last night renewed its fight for "adequate legislation" on manpower control.

The new demand came through War Production Chairman Krug shortly after Senate Majority Leader Barkley predicted that some type of manpower control bill will pass when the Military Affairs Committee brings the issue to the Senate floor.

Mr. Krug warned that "we are not meeting requirements (in war production) because we are running short of manpower."

"We must have adequate legislation on manpower control so that men will work where they can do the most good in winning the war," he declared.

**Strategy At Stake.**  
The WPB chief said the Army and Navy need greater production "for immediate campaigns" and if it is not provided, they will be forced to modify their strategy. That, he added, means "putting off the end of the war."

To meet new production goals in the first half of 1945, Mr. Krug said, 600,000 more workers must be added to war and war-supporting industries.

The WPB chief said production of many basic war materials has been declining and others, while increasing, may not be available in time to meet expanded production goals. He added:

"We are at this moment short of coal, steel, lead and other basic materials. The changing tides of battles are requiring more and more of everything we make. In this sense we are back in early 1942 when all war production programs were ascending."

Mr. Krug said that while voluntary methods worked well in the past "when our manpower shortage was not as great as it is today," the manpower problem has "gone."

**Bermuda Defeats Suffrage**  
HAMILTON, Bermuda, Feb. 17.—A universal suffrage plan was defeated, 27 to 3, in the Bermuda Assembly today. The motion would have terminated the present requirement that a person must own \$240 worth of property before becoming eligible to vote.

**'Chicken for Every Pot' Found By Troops Pushing Into Reich**  
By the Associated Press.  
WITH CANADIAN AND BRITISH TROOPS IN GERMANY, Feb. 17.—Allied troops fighting across the countryside in Field Marshal Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's northern offensive between the Rhine and Maas rivers are living off the fat of the German land.

There is a chicken or a goose in nearly every pot that sets over the other side of the border. "There was a wealth of foodstuffs on this side and an absolute lack of it on the other."

### New Deferment Plan for War Agencies Drawn

**System Will Keep 30% of Young Men Home for Key Jobs**

By MIRIAM OTTENBERG.  
A plan to give war agencies a chance to choose "a very limited number" of men under 30 for continued deferment in the face of mounting draft calls was announced jointly last night by selective service and the War Manpower Commission.

Approximately 30 per cent of the 800,000 men occupationally deferred in the 18-29 age group will be recommended for deferment by the Government agencies responsible for procurement and production of war materials or for maintenance of war supporting services, it was understood.

The primary objective of the new procedure, according to the joint announcement, is to protect the war production lines were induction of irreplaceable key men will retard the war effort, as well as men in this group whose induction would endanger public health and safety.

**Boards Still Final Judge.**  
Draft boards will continue to be the final judge of whether a man should be deferred and will be permitted to defer younger men without certification by a Government agency "if in strict interpretation of being necessary to and regularly engaged in war production or a war supporting activity."

It was thought likely, however, that with draft calls mounting monthly and the armed forces demanding younger men, boards will hesitate to defer men not considered sufficiently indispensable to warrant a Governmental certification.

The affected Government agencies, a draft spokesman said, have agreed to "define limitations" on the number and types of men they will certify for deferment. A check will be maintained to see that the certifications are kept to a minimum, this spokesman said.

The WMC-Selective Service announcement made clear that the number of men to be recommended for deferment will vary among establishments. A ranking Government official explained that field representatives of the agencies involved will be permitted to "reserve" 15 per cent of an establishment's younger draft eligibles, although the percentage may be increased or decreased according to production and service demands. A second 15 per cent of a plant's previously deferred manpower can be certified by the headquarters of the agency here, it was explained.

**Percentage May Vary.**  
In some plants, where irreplaceable specialists are turning out highly critical work, it was explained, the percentage deferred may rise to 80 per cent, while other plants will be allowed to keep only 5 per cent of their younger draft eligibles.

The men will go through several processes of selection according to present plans. First, their employers will select the men they can least afford to lose. Next, agencies, under direction in the field will pare the list to keep within specifications. Then the list may be increased or decreased as the Washington headquarters of an agency determines which activities need the most protection, and, finally, draft boards will put their stamp of approval on the recommendations.

The Office of War Mobilization last month set up an order of call for deferred men in the 26-29 age group, but it soon became evident that the boards had been less liberal with their stamp of approval than had been generally assumed and that the majority of the deferred men

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**Red Action in Far East Predicted in China**

By the Associated Press.  
A statement attributed to the Chinese Democratic League that Russia "suddenly became active" in the Far East when United States troops land in China was beamed to America yesterday by the Chinese wireless at Yenan.

According to the broadcast, as recorded by the Federal Communications Commission, the Democratic League made the statement in supporting the Communist demand for establishing a coalition government at Chungking.

The Democratic League is a coalition of small liberal political units such as the China Youth Party, and has backed Communist demands on the official Kuomintang Party at Chungking.

The league, the Yenan account said, predicted American landings in China would come "between spring and summer this year" and called on Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek to set China's political house in order.

The broadcast said the statement was issued January 15, before the Big Three Crimean conference, and predicted that England would become active on a front from Burma to Hong Kong, with France sending a considerable force in an attempt to recover Indo-China.

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